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Applicants: **Christoph Seidel, et al.**

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Sir:

**LETTER RE SEQUENCES (37 C.F.R. § 1.821e)**

This application is a divisional of Serial No. 08/892/704, filed July 15, 1997, which is a divisional of Serial No. 08/511,759. A sequence listing was mailed to the USPTO on April 28, 1997, in the parent application (08/511,759).

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